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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method of increasing the depth of shade of dyed natural or synthetic polyamide fibre materials, which comprises treating the fibre material before, during or after dyeing with a liquor comprising a compound of formula (1) wherein R is halogen, C1-C12alkyl, C5-C24aryl, C6-C36aralkyl, -OR1 or -NR1R2, R1 and

 R_2 being, each independently of the other, hydrogen, C_1 - C_{12} alkyl unsubstituted or substituted by one or more hydroxy, amino, mer $capto,\ carboxyl,\ sulfo,\ C_1-C_{12}alkylsulfonyl,\ C_5-C_{24}arylsulfonyl\ or\ C_6-C_{36}aralkylsulfonyl\ groups,\ C_5-C_{24}aryl\ unsubstituted\ or\ substituted$ tuted by one or more hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, sulfo, C1-C12 alkylsulfonyl, C5-C24arylsulfonyl or C6-C36aralkylsulfonyl groups, or C6-C36aralkyl unsubstituted or substituted by one or more hydroxy, amino, carboxyl, sulfo, C1-C12alkylsulfonyl, C5-C24arylsulfonyl or C₆-C₃₆aralkylsulfonyl groups, X and Y are, each independently of the other, mercapto, -NR₃R₄or -N⁺R₃R₄R₅ A⁻, wherein R₃, R₄ and R₅ are, each independently of the others, hydrogen or C₁-C₁₂alkyl and A⁻ is chloride, bromite, iodide, sulfate or methylsulfate, R6 and R7 are, each independently of the other, hydrogen or C1-C12 alkyl, and x and y are, each independently of the other, a number from 2 to 12.



